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Mr. John W. Easton
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Dear John:

Reference is made to your letter of 31 Marcy 1958, requesting certain information on the USSR tire industry. Congressman Lipscomb, in addition to making this request of you, levied a similar, but not identical, request on this Agency. We, therefore, decided to prepare two papers, one to constitute the reply of this Agency to Congressman Lipscomb, and the other in response to your letter.

The longer of the two attached papers is the Agency's reply to Congressman Lipscomb. It covers the specific questions asked of us, some of which were also asked of you. The shorter paper covers the additional questions asked of you, but does not repeat what is included in the first paper. I am sure that the two together will supply you with the information you requested.

If we can be of any further help in this matter, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Otto E. Guthe
Assistant Director

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